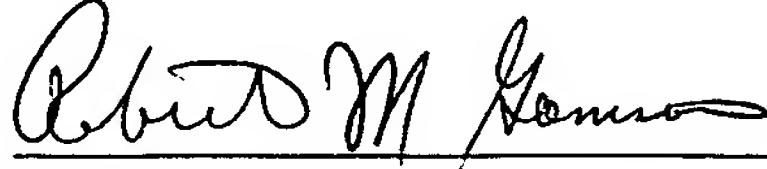


REMARKS

The claims submitted under Article 19 have been amended herein.

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